

VISION 2020 ENVIRONMENT TASK GROUP
February 4, 2014 MEETING

SPY POND COMMITTEE
Town Hall Annex, First Floor

In attendance: Brad Barber, Bill Eykamp Jacob Friis, Joey Glushko, Jane Howard, Bob & Harriet Noyes, Steve Ricci, Stroker Rogovin and Teresa DeBenedictis, Ass't Director of Town's DPW

Facilitator: Brad Barber

Minutes: Steve Ricci

2014 meetings: Town Hall Annex, first floor. 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, March 4, April 1, May 6, June 3 (at Brad Barber's), July 1, Aug. 5, Sept. 2, Sept 30, Nov 4, Dec 2,

- **Water Bodies Warrant Article:** Ms DeBenedictis reviewed two updated spread sheets the first detailing water body expenses in fiscal years 2013, actual year to date and expected for FY 2014 and budget projections for 2015-2016 The second document recapped flows into and out of the water bodies account (and the Spy Pond Phragmites account). After discussion it was recommended to again seek \$50,000 in the 2015 warrant article. The Committee is awaiting a date to present its warrant article recommendation to the Town Finance Committee
- **Storm Drain Routing** Bill Eykamp suggested we should see the MA Highway Department's plans for new drainage. We noted the lack of progress in attempts to remove the large accumulation of deposits from the large drain flowing into the southwest corner of the pond.
- **Trails Day, May 17:** Stroker gave a general update noting additional stone would be required to address erosion from the the area below the bench installed several years ago. Stroker also raised the issue of **special recognition** for two of the AMC stalwarts, Mal Crawford and Denny Nackoney, who have contributed so much time and talent to the Town participating at each and every Trails Day.
- **Spy Pond Pioneers:** Brad presented some archival materials from the early days of the Spy Pond Association, formed in the late 1950's by local citizens to address highly deteriorated pond conditions. There was discussion re an event that would fete some of the early "pond pioneers" for laying the ground work that has resulted in the successful, active stewardship that exists today. October 7th was chosen as the target date.

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